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Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully  
requested in view of the following amendments and comments.